

STAFF MEMO

TO: **Everett Planning Commission**

FROM: Richard Tarry, Public Works Engineering Services Manager

DATE: June 16, 2022 **MEETING DATE:** June 21, 2022

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Update for 2023-2028 **SUBJECT:**

INTRODUCTION

At the June 21 meeting, the planning commission will receive a briefing and update from city staff regarding this year's update to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

BACKGROUND

Each year the city is required by state law (RCW 35.77.010) to update and adopt a six-year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The TIP lists all the anticipated transportation capital improvements for which the city may initiate or pursue some phase of development during the next six years (2023-2028).

The TIP includes street and highway improvements, non-motorized projects, and transit investments. The city council adopts the plan annually, which authorizes staff to seek funding for the various project phases which could include design, right-of way acquisition, equipment acquisition, construction, or implementation. Each project is usually funded a mix of funding from local, state, and federal sources. Note that neither a project's number or position on the list indicate priority, they are just identification numbers. New projects on the TIP this year are highlighted in bold font.

The estimated total costs of all the projects on the list total almost \$5B with the High-Capacity Transit projects from Sound Transit's ST-3 project. The local project phases are over \$590M with \$440M of that city transportation. The TIP is maintained as a financially unconstrained list, meaning the costs significantly exceed revenue likely to be available over the period and many projects are unlikely to be completed or even initiated within six years. This approach provides maximum flexibility for staff to seek funding for projects when unforeseen opportunities arise.

The 6-yr TIP is by reference a part of the city's comprehensive plan. It is developed from, and consistent with, the list of projects in the transportation element of the comprehensive plan. The work that the planning commission will undertake next year on the comprehensive plan update will inform and refresh the current list of projects and transit equipment purchases. A multi-year financing strategy based on needs identified in the comprehensive plan is part of the planning process.

REQUEST OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

Review the proposed City of Everett 2023-2028 Transportation Improvement Program and consider the proposed recommendation to the City Council (see exhibit B).

EXHIBITS

Exhibit A: Proposed City of Everett TIP 2023-2028

Exhibit B: Planning Commission Resolution 22-001 - 2023-2028 Transportation Improvement Program

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